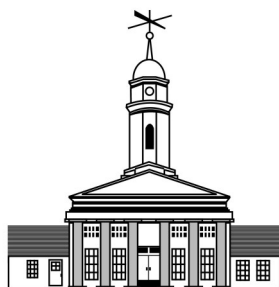


SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 4, 2024

10:00 A.M. SERVICE



MEDIA
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



mediapresbyterian.org

OUR MISSION AND VISION

Our Mission is to love God and love our neighbor. Our Vision is to be a Christian Community that worships together, serves together, and grows together in faith.

Welcome

VISITING TODAY?

If this is your first time worshipping with us, we hope you will feel welcome. If you have questions, please don't hesitate to reach out to us by phone at 610-566-3944. We also invite you to visit our website at www.mediapresbyterian.org.

Leading worship this morning...

Reverend Dr. David Cagle, Transitional Pastor

Reverend Rose Sparrow, Parish Associate

Lisa VanHeldorf, Director of Traditional Music

Emily Barth, Organist

Kate Meehan, Worship Leader

The Chancel flowers are donated by Sharon Riley.

GATHERING

Prelude

I Love Thee, My Lord

Douglas Wagner

Welcome and Announcements

Minute for Mission

Hope Café, Eileen McLaughlin

Call to Worship (from Psalm 121 NKJV)

Leader: I will lift up my eyes to the hills
From whence comes my help?

*All: My help comes from the Lord,
Who made heaven and earth.*

Leader: He will not allow your foot to be moved;
He who keeps you will not slumber.

*All: Behold, He who keeps Israel shall
neither slumber nor sleep.*

Leader: The Lord is your keeper;
The Lord is your shade at your right hand.

*All: The sun shall not strike you by day,
Nor the moon by night.*

Leader: The Lord shall preserve you from all evil;
He shall preserve your soul.

*All: The Lord shall preserve your going out
and your coming in.
From this time forth, and even forevermore.*

***Opening Worship** (Led by Worship Team)

(Music Sheets available)

Jesus Does

We the Kingdom

Your Love Never Fails

Chris Quilala/Jesus Culture

**please stand in body or in spirit*

Blessing of the Children (All)

“Almighty God, from whom we receive our life: We thank you for blessing us with the joy and care of children. Give us calm strength and patient wisdom, that we may teach them to love you, and to love whatever is just, true and good. Protect them from danger and hold them safe in your arms. In Jesus’ name. Amen.”

Call to Confession (1 John 1:8-9)

Leader: If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

All: If we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive us our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

(Now, take a few moments of honesty before God in silent confession)

Prayer of Confession (All)

All: Almighty Father, forgive our sins. Forgive the sins that we remember and the sins we have forgotten. Forgive our many failures in the face of temptation and those times when we have been stubborn in the face of correction. Forgive the times we have been proud of our own achievements and those when we have failed to boast in your works. Forgive the harsh judgments we have made of others and the leniency we have shown ourselves. Forgive the lies we have told to others and the truths we have avoided. Forgive us the pain we have caused others and the indulgence we have shown ourselves. Father, have mercy on us and make us whole for the sake of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon (Romans 8:1-3a)

Leader: There is now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus because, through Christ Jesus, the law of the Spirit who gives life has set you free from the law of sin and death. For what the law was powerless to do because it was weakened by the flesh, God did by sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh to be a sin offering.

All: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

***Song of Praise, Hymn #579 (Blue)**

Glory Be to the Father

Gloria Patri

***Glory be to the Father, and to the Son,
and to the Holy Ghost;***

***As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever
shall be, world without end. Amen, Amen.***

***Sharing the Joy of Our Faith**

EQUIPPING

THE WORD

Prayer for Illumination

Kate Meehan

**First Reading: 2 Chronicles 26:16-21 (pg.356),
Psalm 119:15-18 (pg.493)**

Kate Meehan

Leader: This is the word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Sermon Reading: Isaiah 6:1-8 (pg.553)

Rev. Rose Sparrow

Leader: This is the word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Sermon “Lord, Please Help Me to Take Another Look.”

Rev. Rose Sparrow

RESPONDING

*Affirmation of Faith (All)

The Apostle's Creed

Leader: Brothers and sisters, what do you believe?

*All: I believe in God the Father Almighty,
Maker of heaven and earth,
and in Jesus Christ His only Son our Lord;
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius
Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried;
He descended into hell; the third day He rose again
from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth
on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from
thence He shall come to judge the quick and the
dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit; the holy catholic church;
the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins;
the Resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting.
Amen.*

Prayers of the People

Invitation to Stewardship

Offertory Anthem (Led by the MPC Choir)

We Have Been Told

David Haas

*Doxology

Hymn #592 (Blue)

OLD HUNDRETH

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

*Prayer of Dedication

CELEBRATING THE LORD'S SUPPER

There are prepackaged communion cups located in baskets at the back of the sanctuary if you prefer not taking communion by intinction.

Invitation to the Lord's Table

The Great Thanksgiving

Leader: The Lord be with you.

All: *And also with you.*

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

All: *We lift them to the Lord.*

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All: *It is right to give our thanks and praise.*

The prayer continues...

Sanctus (All)

Holy, Holy, Holy

Richard Proulx

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of Power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest.

The Lord's Prayer (All)

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who have sinned against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Words of Institution

Communion of the People

Prayer of Affirmation

SENDING

***Closing Hymn #411 (Blue)**

Arise, Your Light is Come!

Charge and Blessing

***Postlude** *Voluntary on "Come Down, O Love Divine"* John Barr

GENERAL INFORMATION

Restrooms -A restroom is located in the parlor at the back of the sanctuary. Handicap-accessible restrooms are located through either side door at the front of the sanctuary, then around the corner.

Nursery -Our Nursery is available for infants and children up to 3 years old during our 9:00 a.m. Sunday School hour and the 10:00 a.m. worship service.

Sunday School -Adults meet at 9:00 a.m. in Room 102. Children's Sunday School is in the Children's Wing. Youth Sunday School is in the Youth Room.

Prayer Chain -If you are in need of prayer or would like to receive prayer chain updates, please email Reverend Rose.

Attention Mothers of Infants -The parlor at the back of the church is available for privacy during church services.

Church Office Hours are Monday - Thursday, 8:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. During inclement weather, please call to make sure staff is present before coming to the office.

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

Sign up to receive our weekly digital newsletter by going to our website or by emailing rebecca@mediapresbyterian.org.

FOLLOW US ON SOCIAL MEDIA

Like and follow us on Facebook (Media Presbyterian Church).

ONLINE GIVING

Visit MediaPresbyterian.org/GiveOnline or scan the QR code to give your tithes & offerings.



UPCOMING EVENTS

- **Ash Wednesday Service, February 14, 2024, at 7:00 p.m.**
 - ◆ This year Ash Wednesday will be a major event in the life of Media Presbyterian Church. Ash Wednesday is a time to remember our mortality and total dependence on God. “Ashes to ashes,” as the Bible says. As a church, we have been looking back at conflicts, issues, and pain in the past of our congregation. On Ash Wednesday, we will surrender all of these to God—ashes to ashes—and begin to look forward. This will be about a 45-minute child-friendly service, starting at 7:00 p.m. Please make every effort to attend.

- **Looking Ahead Gatherings**

- ◆ The next step in our mission study is for us to meet in small groups to prayerfully discern and discuss where God is calling us as a congregation. We will be offering 10 dates and times that will meet at the church, one meeting at Lima Estates, and 1 meeting that will be during a Youth Group evening, though youth are certainly welcome at any of the gatherings. Go to: bit.ly/MPCLookingAhead or scan the QR code. In preparation for the discussions, we are asking that you prayerfully consider the questions that were emailed. There are also copies of the questions available in the back of the sanctuary. These are the questions that will guide our discussion.



- **Show Your Love Throughout February**

- ◆ Throughout February, Deacons are collecting school supplies for the 2nd semester of the year to support Teachers' Teammates, teachersteammates.org. This organization offers supplies to teachers who work in districts serving predominantly lower-income populations in public, charter, and parochial schools. With a small membership fee, teachers can order a wealth of necessary supplies for their students. By this time of the year, supplies are drying up! Please help us by providing 2-pocket folders, crayons, glue sticks, single-subject notebooks, filler paper, and washable markers, which can be dropped off in bins found around the church. Sunday, February 25, will be the last day to drop off supplies. For questions, email Belle Patton (mbepatton@comcast.net). Thank you!

- **Lenten Devotional Now Available!**

- ◆ Read devotions authored by our MPC leaders during each day (except Sundays) of Lent. Pick up a hard copy in the sanctuary, or view online on the MPC website. If you would like a hard copy and are unable to come to the church, please contact the church office and a copy will be mailed to you.

ONGOING MINISTRIES

- **Adult Sunday School**
 - ◆ Adult Sunday School meets each Sunday from 9:00-9:45 a.m. in Room 102. On next Sunday, February 11, 2024, we will begin the Gospel of Luke. You may begin attending at any time! Please contact Andria Kaskey (aleakaskey@yahoo.com) for additional information.
- **Cornerstone Kids Children's Ministry**
 - ◆ Building Lives on Christ (BLOC) is available most Sundays for children in 2nd grade and younger. The children are dismissed after the Children's Moment and should be picked up from Room 201 when the service is over.
 - ◆ Family Game Night on Wednesday, February 7, from 6-8 p.m. Dinner is at 6 p.m., followed by games. Please RSVP with the link in the Stay Connected and on the website. All are welcome!
 - ◆ Contact Jeanne Cunningham (fuselloj@gmail.com) for more information.
- **MPC Youth Ministry**
 - ◆ Youth Sunday School meets from 9-9:45 a.m. in the Youth Room. Youth Group meets on Thursdays from 7-8:30 p.m. in the Youth Room.

MPC IS HIRING

- **Director of Contemporary Music**

MPC is looking to hire a Director of Contemporary music to guide the congregation and lead them in Spirit-filled worship through the ministry of music. See the job description on our website or email employment@mediapresbyterian.org for more information.
- **Director of Children, Youth & Family Ministries**
 - ◆ The Search Committee requests your help in finding a qualified applicant for the position of Director of Children, Youth & Family Ministries at MPC. This is a full-time, non-ordained position that is responsible for developing and leading our ministry to children, youth, and families. Qualified candidates may contact employment@mediapresbyterian.org. See the website or newsletter for more information.

LENTEN LOAVES OF LOVE

LENTEN LOAVES OF LOVE is 21 years old! Since 2003, MPC has provided well over \$50,000 via LLL to show our love for God and for our neighbors during this reflective season that culminates in the triumph and joy of the Resurrection. Once again, this year, our gifts to *Lenten Loaves of Love* will enable us not only to beautify our sanctuary with flowers but also to share our love in a concrete way.

During Lent 2024, we are supporting two ministries familiar to many here at MPC:

David & Sara Treece – Interserve USA

Interserve is one of the oldest international, interdenominational, overseas-focused agencies in existence. We began in 1852 in South Asia to care for the poor and marginalized in such a way that they could encounter Jesus and experience the life that He wanted for them. The vision God gave to our founders is still alive. www.interserveusa.org

Maranatha Church & Childrens Home – Pastor George

Home for Boys- our missionary partners and their staff maintain a home in their own house for some 40 boys ranging in age from 4 to 19 years old. These boys, whose parents are either deceased or unable to raise them, are cared for until they graduate from high school. Financial support from our church helps pay for the boys' food, clothing, health needs, tuition, and school supplies, as well as all the costs related to maintaining their home. Individuals and families in our church provide additional necessary funds for sponsoring boys at a cost of \$50 per month per boy.

In addition to these special Mission/ Ministry opportunities, your contribution to Lenten Loaves of Love enables us to provide tulips and daffodils to make our sanctuary beautiful for Easter and to send cheer to our shut-ins after the service. If you would like to reserve flowers to take home after the worship service on Easter, please make a note on the dedication form below when you make your contribution to LLL. After we pay for the flowers, all other contributions will be divided evenly between our designated ministries.

Each \$10.00 gift provides a single Lenten Loaf of Love. There is no limit to how many Loaves you may give! Gifts received by Sunday, March 17, will be guaranteed acknowledgment in the Easter Sunday bulletin.

Fill out the information below and enclose it with your gift in the LLL envelope found in the pews (also fill out the info on the envelope) and place the envelope in the offering plate.

 I/we donate \$10.00 for each Lenten Loaf of Love

Total gift \$ _____ (make checks payable to MPC)

Your name & phone number: _____

Please print legibly so that we are sure to have your dedication listed properly.

In memory of _____

In honor of _____

I/we would like to take a flower (s) home How many? _____

Elders & Deacons

	<u>ELDERS</u>	
<u>Class of 2024</u>	<u>Class of 2025</u>	<u>Class of 2026</u>
Sandy Campbell	Jim Gatch	LuAnn Crosby
Art Kalemkarian, Jr.	Julie Havel	Jeanne Cunningham
Cindy McPeak	Jessica Johnson	Mark Gibble
Elizabeth Rohr	Eric MacDonald	Susan Kassab
Robin Smith	Kate Meehan	Eileen McLaughlin
Jo Snead	Paul Tutton	
	John Walton	
<i>Moderator:</i> Reverend Dr. David Cagle	<i>Clerk of Session:</i> Joe Hare	
	<u>DEACONS</u>	
<u>Class of 2024</u>	<u>Class of 2025</u>	<u>Class of 2026</u>
Elaine Fetterman	Suzanne Beaumont	Jim Archambo
Jeanne Furey	Doug Crosby	Kim Gilchrist
Karen Gibble	Susan Hare	Michael Kaskey
Dave Layton	Dave Heckman	Alex Moore
Lynne McCone	Robin Kauffman	Sharon Riley
	Jill Lardon	
	Betsy McKeone	
	Pamela Orr	
	Belle Patton	

FOR THE WEEK OF FEBRUARY 4, 2024

Sunday, February 4

- 8:30 a.m. Choir Practice, Sanctuary
- 8:45 a.m. Nursery opens for drop-off
- 9:00 a.m. Adult Sunday School, Room 102
- 9:00 a.m. Children's Sunday School, Children's Wing
- 9:00 a.m. Youth Sunday School, Youth Room
- 10:00 a.m. Sunday Worship Service (with BLOC), Sanctuary

Monday, February 5

- 12:00 p.m. Prayer & Devotion, Rev. Rose, Zoom
- 4:45 p.m. Mission Study Team meeting, Room 102

Tuesday, February 6

- 10:00 a.m. Staff Meeting
- 6:30 p.m. Budget Meeting Follow Up, Room 102

Wednesday, February 7

- 9:00 a.m. Woofies Baking, Kitchen
- 10:00 a.m. Prayer Warriors, Rev. Rose Sparrow
Call 425-436-6394, Code 338523#
- 6:00 p.m. Family Game Night, Cornerstone Kids

Thursday, February 8

- 7:00 a.m. Men's Bible Study Breakfast, Court Diner, Media
- 10:00 a.m. Women's Bible Study, Rev. Rose, Zoom
- 12:30 p.m. Intercessory Prayer & Prayer Chain Updates
- 6:30 p.m. MPC Ringers, Sanctuary
- 7:00 p.m. Faith & Film Group, Room 103 and Zoom
- 7:00 p.m. Youth Group, Youth Room
- 7:00 p.m. Yoga

Friday, February 9

Office Closed

Saturday, February 10

- 6:00 p.m. NA Meeting

Sunday, February 11

- 8:30 a.m. Choir Practice, Sanctuary
- 8:45 a.m. Nursery opens for drop-off
- 9:00 a.m. Adult Sunday School, Room 102 Gospel
- 9:00 a.m. Children's Sunday School, Children's Wing
- 9:00 a.m. Youth Sunday School, Youth Room
- 10:00 a.m. Sunday Worship Service (with BLOC), Sanctuary

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	Nursery	Ext. 1023
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